

Job Description

Job Title: Project Officer	Service Area: Regeneration and Planning
Division: Strategic Commissioning	Job Number:
	Job Evaluation Number: JE3928,3952,3953
Grade: Scale S01/S02/PO1	Date last updated: 15/08/2017
	Date of last Evaluation: 15/02/2022

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

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PROTECTING OUR STAFF AND SERVICES

Adherence to Health and Safety requirements and proper risk management is required from all employees in so far as is relevant to their role. All employees are expected to understand and promote good Health and Safety practices and manage risks appropriately.

Overall Purpose of Job

- To develop the skills of a Regeneration Manager through project based learning and academic study.
- To contribute in bringing forward developments that create sustainable, resilient communities including the delivery of consultation strategies
- To provide the technical and systems support necessary for the planning and delivery of Newham's regeneration programme.
- To project manage regeneration projects and discrete elements of programmes—from inception to completion.
- To conduct research and provide support for complex, area based regeneration programmes
- To be a fully participating member of the regeneration service, positioning Newham as a leading London borough and driving significant improvement to local residents' quality of life

Job Context

The post holder:

- 1. Reports to Area Programme Manager or Senior Area Programme Manager
- 2. Procure and manage contractors and/or consultants as required.
- 3. To project manage and support regeneration programmes
- 4. Responsible for monitoring, maintaining and reporting on approx. £5 M annually.
- 5. Required to work evenings, weekends and occasional public holidays, in order to meet service requirements.
- 6. The post holder has specific Health and Safety responsibilities in respect of their own behaviour and conduct and how that affects others.
- 7. Risk management responsibilities in respect of the projects on which they work.

Key Tasks and Accountabilities

Key tasks and accountabilities are intended to be a guide to the range and level of work expected of the post holder. This is not an exhaustive list of all tasks that may fall to the post holder and employees will be expected to carry out such other reasonable duties which may be required from time to time.

- 1. Plan the delivery of capital and community projects, < £1M from project initiation to delivery. Mediating to remove blockages, as appropriate.
- 2. To manage discreet elements of the regeneration programme, working across Council departments, with land owners and residents, external contractors and consultants.
- 3. To provide technical and project management support for specific assigned projects
- 4. Support the development and delivery of consultation and engagement strategies
- 5. Develop project briefs in consultation with stakeholders and identify and develop bids for funding.
- 6. Prepare and present reports and briefings for Senior Managers and members to facilitate and inform understanding and decision-making.
- 7. Assist with the preparation of development objectives, master plans, planning frameworks and other development proposals
- 8. Track and control project finances in accordance with council procedures and systems.

- 9. Present and analyse project information using MS Project, Power point, Excel, Photoshop etc
- 10. Draft and submit minor planning applications.
- 11. Review technical documents including drawings, strategies, policies, design guidance briefs budgets and provide concise summaries and recommendations.
- 12. Build good working relationship with funders and partners and provide timely reports and claims in line with their requirements.
- 13. Set up and maintain information web sites, produce leaflets and posters, draft press releases and contribute to providing information to promote projects, to the local community and others.
- 14. Assist in ensuring that project information is maintained and is accurate and complete on corporate systems.
- 15. Develop, maintain and review effective, efficient procedures and working methods which are integrated with existing Council systems, maximising the use of new technology.
- 16. Comply with Standing Orders, financial regulations and statutory obligations and ensure service procurement, commissioning and delivery; and the management of people; is within London Borough of Newham's policy and related requirements.
- 17. Any other duties as determined by the Senior Area/Area Programme Manager

Additional duties at S02

- Prepare develop and tender briefs inline with best practice, Council standing orders and relevant legislation.
- Plan the delivery of capital and community projects < £2M from initiation to delivery mediating blockages as appropriate

Additional duties at PO1

- Prepare briefings and reports for the Mayor and members
- Plan the delivery of capital and community projects < £3M from initiation to delivery mediating blockages as appropriate

Personal Specification



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

The criteria listed in this Person Specification are all essential to the job. Where the Method of Assessment is stated to be the Application Form, your application needs to demonstrate clearly and concisely how you meet each of the criteria, even if other methods of assessment are also shown. If you do not address these criteria fully, or if we do not consider that you meet them, you will not be shortlisted. Please give specific examples wherever possible.

CRITERIA	METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

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 KNOWLEDGE: Understanding of legal frameworks and legislation relating to: Environmental Landlord/tenant issues Contract law Planning Development Process 	Application Form/Interview/Test
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 Knowledge and understanding of supporting legislation and current best practice in relation to development and how this aids or constrains delivery

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 An understanding of, and demonstrable commitment to, London Borough of Newham's vision and core values.

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 Awareness of public sector practice, the political environment and London Borough of Newham's diverse communities.

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EXPERIENCE & QUALIFICATIONS

Relevant degree and/or professional qualification and Prince 2 Project Management is desirable or willingness to work towards them. Specific requirements as detailed below at three progressive levels in a career grade for SO1, SO2, PO1

SO1 Requirements

Essential

Relevant Degree is essential

Desirable

Full professional membership
Prince 2 Project management qualification
Some previous technical experience.
Awareness of the theory of financial management.
Some experience of budget management.

Professional qualification and level expected at Scale SO1 to include one of the following is *desirable*

Chartered institute of Chartered Surveyors RICS

Achieved RICS accredited degree, or is currently studying towards it ,or has relevant experience Is completing structured training (minimum of 12 months)

Chartered Institute of Housing CIH

Has obtained or is working towards practitioner membership

Institute of Mechanical Engineers IMechE

Has or is working towards obtaining IMechE accredited degree

Royal Institute of British Architects RIBA

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Has or is working towards Part 2 (March/MSc Architecture

Institute of Civil Engineers ICE

Has an educational base JBM accredited degree or Is working on Part 1

Institute of Environmental Management and assessment

Is an associate member of IEMA (passed the Open Book Assessment exam)

Royal Town Planning Institute

Educational Base: accredited Undergrad or Postgraduate degree http://www.rtpi.org.uk/item/178/23/5/3

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SO2 Requirements

Essential

Relevant Degree is essential

Desirable

Full professional membership is desirable but not essential Prince 2 Project management qualification is desirable but not essential

Studying towards professional qualifications and able to demonstrate increased levels of experience gained over a 2 year period including, bidding for funding, delivering to time and budget small schemes autonomously **OR**

Able to demonstrate increased levels of experience gained over a 5 year period to include bidding for funding, delivering to time and budget small schemes autonomously

Experience of managing small budgets. Evidence of successfully managing finances on smaller less complex projects

Comfortable working largely on their own initiative, seeking advice from Senior/Area Programme Manager and Senior Regeneration Manager when required

Professional qualification and level expected at Scale SO2 to include one of the following

Royal institute of Chartered Surveyors RICS

Has completed structured training
Is working on APC Final Assessment submission and

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interview

Chartered Institute of Housing CIH

Has obtained Practitioner membership status which is defined as follows:

Housing Practitioner - Cert CIH

Practitioner membership denotes that the individual has a housing related qualification recognised by the CIH at Level 3 or above.

Institute of Mechanical Engineers IMechE

Has obtained Associate membership, and is working towards full membership

Associate Members have a suitable degree in engineering or a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) subject. Associates gain the letters AMIMechE after their name.

Royal Institute of British Architects RIBA

Has obtained Associate membership and is working towards full membership

Institute of Civil Engineers ICE

Has achieved development objectives and is working on obtaining full membership

Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment

Working towards full membership

Royal Town Planning Institute

Will be working towards Licentiate Membership

PO1 Requirements

Essential

Relevant degree is essential Full professional membership is essential Project Management qualification is essential

Professionally qualified with experience of planning, programming, implementing and project managing in a relevant environment gained over at least a 2 year period or

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Experience of successful financial management of projects in a relevant environment within a regime of financial regulations/standing orders

Will be largely autonomous .Will understand and support the broad direction from Senior/Area Programme Manager and Senior Regeneration Manager when required

Professional qualification and level expected at Scale PO1 to include one of the following

Royal institute of Chartered Surveyors RICS

Full Member of the RICS

Has completed a minimum of 12 months structured training program and submitted requisite documents Undertaken a 60 minute interview &

Test on Professional practice /ethics

Chartered Institute of Housing CIH

Is a Corporate Member

Corporate membership denotes that the individual is professionally qualified in housing including completion of the Test of Professional Practice (TPP), or an APEX programme.

Institute of Mechanical Engineers IMechE

Full Member

Full Members are professionally registered engineers. There are three separate classes that recognise different levels of knowledge and skill. All members receive the letters IMechE after their name.

Royal Institute of British Architects RIBA

Is a Chartered member

Has obtained a Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice

Institute of Civil Engineers ICE

Is a Full Member

Has completed Initial Professional Development and submitted a Professional Review

Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment

Full Member MIEMA

Successful in the selection criteria needed to become a full member of IEMA.

Royal Town Planning Institute RTPI has 2 phases through which people must pass before obtaining **Chartered Membership**, which is the benchmark to which all other membership classes are related. Upon election to this class, members can use the designation MRTPI after their names. **Licentiate member** - a mandatory part of the APC. Graduates of RTPI-accredited courses who are now in professional spatial planning employment and graduates who wish to apply for Chartered Membership must have been Licentiate Members registered on the APC for at least one year before becoming eligible to apply for Chartered Membership. **SKILLS AND ABILITIES:** Excellent interpersonal, communication and presentation skills Application (linguistic, written and numerical). The post holder needs to Form/Interview/Test feel comfortable dealing with a wide range of people from technical to non-technical backgrounds including senior officers. Application Ability to use initiative and analytical thinking in varying Form/Interview/Test situations Application Highly organised with good planning skills and ability to meet Form/Interview/Test strict deadlines Experience of placing/raising orders, checking and processing Application invoices, managing a budget, producing financial and Form/Interview/Test budgetary information and of producing reports to all audiences Application Report writing Form/Interview/Test Experience of successful financial management of projects in Application a relevant environment within a regime of financial Form/Interview/Test regulations/standing orders Methodical approach with attention to detail, excellent Excel, Application Word skills, MS project, Power Point and Outlook skills. Form/Interview/Test

PERSONAL STYLE AND BEHAVIOUR:

 A track record of delivery and getting things done whilst empowering individuals and teams, valuing their contribution and resolving differences without conflict

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Assertive and logical

Application

Articulate, pro-active, self-motivated, committed and enthusiastic	Form/Interview/Test Application Form/Interview/Test
 Leads by example; inclusive rather than exclusive; prepared to share expertise, knowledge and skills. Influential and corporate 	Application Form/Interview/Test
Ability to work cooperatively and in collaboration with other stakeholders and colleagues	Application Form/Interview/Test
Creative with a forward-looking approach that maximises opportunities before they are lost	Application Form/Interview/Test
High degree of probity and integrity; committed to the activities and actions of Newham	Application Form/Interview/Test
Ability to anticipate problems and provide effective solutions	Application Form/Interview/Test
OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:	
Willingness and ability to work occasional evenings and weekends to maintain service delivery.	Application Form/Interview
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